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SUBJ: GVN DESIRE TO RECOGNIZE MOZAMBIQUE

1. WE ARE NOT SURE GVN IS FULLY INFORMED ON STATUS AND TIMING OF INDEPENDENCE FOR MOZAMBIQUE WHICH, UNDER LUSAKA ACCORD, IS SET FOR JUNE 25, 1975. NEW TRANSITIONAL GOVERNMENT, DOMINATED BY THE FRELIMO, TOOK OFFICE SEPTEMBER 20. CEASE FIRE IN MOZAMBIQUE WENT INTO EFFECT HERE THE SAME DAY AND THEREFORE FRELIMO IS NOT AN "INSURGENT GROUP" AS LIBERATION MOVEMENTS ARE IN ANGOLA.

2. UNLIKE GUINEA-BISSAU, WHICH BECAME INDEPENDENT SEPTEMBER 10, "RECOGNITION" OF FRELIMO-DOMINATED TRANSITIONAL GOVERNMENT HAS NOT BEEN RELEVANT ISSUE IN INTERNATIONAL POLITICS. FRELIMO LEADERSHIP ALREADY CONTROLS TRANSITIONAL MOZAMBIQUE GOVERNMENT AND APPEARS QUITE PREPARED TO WAIT UNTIL JUNE 25, 1975, FOR FULL CONTROL OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS WHICH NOW RESIDES WITH PORTUGAL. IN ANY CASE RECENTLY FRELIMO HAS PUBLICLY REFERRED TO "INEXHAUSTIBLE SOURCE OF PRACTICAL AND THEORETICAL INSPIRATION FOR REVOLUTIONARY FORCES" PROVIDED BY INDOCHINA PEOPLE'S STRUGGLE AGAINST "IMPERIALIST AGGRESSION."

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3. ANOTHER FACTOR IS THAT FRELIMO'S EXTERNAL RELATIONS AS A

PARTY APPEAR TO BE STILL HANDLED OUT OF DAR-ES-SALAAM WHERE
ITS PRESIDENT SAMORA MACHEL AND VICE PRESIDENT MARCELINO DOS
SANTOS ARE RESIDING.

4. FINALLY, NEW TRANSITIONAL GOVERNMENT MINISTERS HERE ARE
LITERALLY WORKING AVERAGE OF 14 HOURS PER DAY AND NO RESIDENT
CONSUL GENERAL HAS YET BEEN ABLE TO GET TO SEE PRIMIN. SAIGON
REPS WOULD STAND LITTLE CHANCE.

5. GVN MAY WISH TO TAKE ANOTHER LOOK AT SITUATION IN
EARLY 1975.
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